Celebrating 100 years

Baker County Fair and Panhandle Rodeo begins Friday in Halfway

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ALFWAY — The Baker County Fair and Panhandle Rodeo is celebrating 100 years this weekend with a celebration themed "A Century of Fun for Everyone."

The fair, traditionally held over Labor Day weekend, begins the afternoon of Friday,

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The Panhandle Rodeo is Saturday, Sunday and Monday at the fairgrounds in Halfway.



Sept. 3, and wraps up Monday, Sept. 6.

The fair was canceled in 2020, which affected this year because each event helps raise money for the next one with proceeds from vendors, concessions and the rodeo.

But organizers are still planning to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Baker County Fair in Halfway.

"We have a lot of little stuff happening," said Melody Huff, president of the Pine Valley Fair Association.

Livestock events begin at 8:15 a.m. Saturday and Sunday. There is no charge for visitors to the fairgrounds or midway.

At 5 p.m. Saturday, the team pack horse race starts in the rodeo arena, and mutton busting follows at 6:30 p.m.

The Panhandle Rodeo starts at 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Admission is \$12 reserved, \$10 general admission, and free for ages 6 and younger. Each rodeo session includes mule races.

Both Saturday and Sunday wrap up with a dance at the Pine Valley Grange at 9 p.m.

A special concert by The

Locals from Richland is planned for 3-6 p.m. Sunday, followed by a pie auction. Huff said there will also be a fundraising raffle to win a buckle, plus various merchandise for sale to celebrate the 100th year of the fair.

On Monday, the fair's final day, livestock awards will be presented at 8:30 a.m., followed by the livestock auction at 9 a.m.

The fair parade entries start lining up at 11:30 a.m. at the Halfway Elementary School, and the parade begins at 12:30 p.m.

The weekend concludes with the final session of the rodeo at 2:30 p.m. Sunday.

For a complete schedule, visit www.halfwayfairandrodeo.com.



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